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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C.

Action on IATA Agreement Issued by the Department of Transportation

on the 10th Day of July, 2000

Docket: OST-00-7313 1/

Description: The agreement is comprised of resolutions affecting cargo rates and charges between the United States and Austria, Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands, Scandinavia, and Switzerland, ("the alliance countries") and Chile and Italy ("non-alliance countries"). Resolutions pertaining to the alliance countries are revalidated from October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2002. Rates and charges for Chile and Italy are being transferred to the alliance-countries resolutions, and revalidated from October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2002. No new or changed rates or charges are proposed.

We do not find the resolutions incorporated in the above docket to be adverse to the public interest or in violation of 49 U.S.C. 41309, provided that approval is subject, where applicable, to conditions previously imposed.

Accordingly, we approve and grant antitrust immunity to the agreement, subject, where applicable, to conditions previously imposed.

This order shall be effective and become the action of the Department of Transportation upon the expiration of ten days, unless within such period a petition for review is filed pursuant to 14 CFR. 385.30 or the Department gives notice that it will review this order on its own motion. Such actions are subject to judicial review under 49 U.S.C. 46110.

Given the noncontroversial nature of this agreement and the availability of the above procedure, we are waiving the 21-day period prescribed by 14 CFR 303.42.

> Paul L. Gretch Director, Office of International Aviation

1/ IATA CTC COMP 0271 (Mail Vote 075), Docket OST-00-7313. The agreement was filed with the Department April 27, 2000.